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Washington, D.C.- Today, Congressman Sires announced that two grants were awarded to the Hoboken and Bayonne Fire Departments. The Hoboken Fire Department received a grant award of \$427,962 and the Bayonne Fire Department received a grant of \$176,000 from the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

This program provides grants to qualified agencies in order to strengthen their overall level of preparedness and ability to respond to fire and related hazards. These grants will give the Hoboken Fire Department the ability to purchase a pumper truck, and provide the Bayonne Fire Department with the necessary funds to obtain vital equipment, including thermal imaging devices, a forcible entry prop and a smoke generator for fire training.

“I extend my congratulations to the Hoboken and Bayonne Fire Departments for qualifying for these competitive grants,” said Congressman Sires. “These funds will provide our emergency responders with the necessary tools to effectively combat fires and keep our communities safe.”

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